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FOR: ALKYL ACETAL COMPOUND, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND LUBRICATING OIL COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.